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SUBJECT: NEW HEAD OF LIBYAN PRIVATIZATION BOARD WELCOMES U.S. FIRMS REF: A) 09 TRIPOLI 925; B) 09 TRIPOLI 198; C) 09 TRIPOLI 437 TRIPOLI 000001

[1](#)1. (C) Summary: On February 10, the Ambassador briefed Jamal al-Lamushie, Secretary of the Privatization and Investment Board (PIB), on the up

[1](#)2. (SBU) The new head of the Libyan Privatization and Investment Board, Jamal al-Lamushie, told the Ambassador (accompanied by econoff) during
PRIVATIZATION AND INVESTMENT BOARD WELCOMES U.S. COMPANIES

[1](#)3. (C) Al-Lamushie noted that Libya was "speeding up" the process of privatization, in which nearly 20 state-owned enterprises will be either
SAADI AL-QADHAFI'S PET PROJECT: ZWARA ECONOMIC CITY

[1](#)4. (SBU) Addressing recent reports of a new law enacted by the General People's Congress establishing a free-trade zone in Zwara (west of Tripoli),
FOCUS ON ALTERNATIVE ENERGY: NUCLEAR, SOLAR, WIND

[1](#)5. (SBU) Beyond its role in privatization, al-Lamushie said the PIB was also charged with attracting companies with expertise in new, alternative
POSSIBLE GREEN ENERGY BRIEFING FOR CODEL GRAYSON

[1](#)6. (SBU) The Ambassador noted that Congressman Alan Grayson would be transiting Tripoli on February 17 for a few hours, and TRIPOLI 00000136 (C)
RENEWED INTEREST IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE U.S.

[1](#)7. (C) PIB staff voiced renewed interest in cooperating with Post on the development of Libya's private sector, via activities such as training
AND A PLUG FOR THE TRIPOLI INTERNATIONAL FAIR

[1](#)8. (C) Putting on his other hat (as head of the General Board of Fairs), al-Lamushie pointed out that there has been no U.S. booth at the past
COMMENT

[1](#)9. (C) Based on his comments and plans, it appears that al-Lamushie may have been brought in to ramp up the pace of revitalizing Libya's commerce